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DEAR VASILI VASILEVICH:

WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE SOVIET SIDE IS CONSIDERING POSTPONE-
MENT OF ARID ECOSYSTEMS DELEGATION VISIT TO THE U.S. UNTIL
AFTER THE IUCN MEETING AT ASHKHABAD IN THE FALL. THIS WOULD

BE MOST UNFORTUNATE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF OUR COOPERATIVE

WORK ON THIS PROJECT. DR. FREDERICK WAGNER CAN ONLY
RECEIVE THE SOVIET DELEGATION IN THE U.S. FOR FAMILIARIZA-
TION WITH ARID LANDS OF THE SOUTHWEST IN EITHER APRIL OR
MAY. IN JUNE, WAGNER WILL BE OUT OF THE COUNTRY FOR OVER
SIX MONTHS AND AVAILABLE FUNDING FOR THE PROGRAM WILL PASS
EXPIRATION DATE. IT IS THEREFORE, IMPERATIVE, IF THE
SOVIET SIDE PLANS VISITS TO THE U.S. TO ARRIVE NO LATER

THAN MAY, 1978. AT THAT TIME, PROJECT LEADERS CAN DISCUSS
THE FUTURE DIRECTION OF THIS PROJECT. SINCERELY, R.A.
SCRIABINE. VANCE

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